

At the June 28, 2005, meeting of the *Idaho Transportation Investment Forum*, participants brainstormed a variety of ideas related to transportation revenue options, innovative financing, and other related topics, along with their potential pros and cons. Additional forum members who were unable to attend the June 28 meeting were also given an opportunity to contribute their ideas and input on these topics.

What follows is a brief summary describing some of the reoccurring themes and opinions gleaned from this process.

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## **REVENUE OPTIONS & INNOVATIVE FINANCING IDEAS**

### **New Ideas Recently Added to the List:**      *(To be voted on)*

Wind Farms  
Highway District Boundary Adjustment

### **Revenue Generating Ideas That Received Generally Positive Feedback:**

Local Option Sales Tax  
Local Option Fuel Tax  
Index All Fees  
Fees for Developments of Regional Impact  
Dedicated Sales Tax on Car Rentals  
Sell Advertising on Buses or Bus Stops  
Eliminate Ethanol Exemption  
Congestion Pricing  
Lease Rest Area Spaces to Restaurants  
Public-Private Partnerships  
Seek Grant Opportunities  
Sale of Records, Maps, Documents  
Investment Options  
Forest Service Payments to Counties

### **Revenue Generating Options with Identified Potential:**      *(To be voted on)*

Increase Fuel Tax  
Increase Vehicle Registration Fees  
Increase Title Fees  
Index Fuel Tax  
Index Vehicle Registration  
Sales Tax on Fuel  
Impact Fees

Dedicated Sales Tax on Transportation Related Sales  
Allowing Ads on State Facilities  
Fund ISP with State General Fund  
Tire Fees/Taxes

## **PARKING LOT**

### **Ideas Generating Generally Negative Feedback:**

Dedicated Sales Tax  
Toll Roads & Bridges  
Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Fees  
Add Dedicated Sales Tax to Fuel & Transport Services  
Parking Charges  
Property Tax (Personal)

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### **Ideas Generating Little or No Feedback:**

Railroad Car Tax  
Central Area Charges (as in Europe)  
Use-Based Fees (if legal)  
Diesel Fuel Tax on Railroads  
Increasing Drivers License Fees

### **Non-revenue Generators for Consideration:**

Review Fines for Overweight Vehicles  
Review Fuel Tax, Registration and Other Evasions  
Dyed Diesel and Potential Tax Evasion  
Federal Reimburse Fuel Tax Lost to Native American Reservations  
Bonding  
Tax Increment Financing  
Tapered Match  
Local Highway Investment Pool  
Increase Minimum Guarantee for Public Land States  
Get Funds from Petroleum Clean Water Trust Fund  
State Infrastructure Banks  
Section 129 Loans  
Transportation Infrastructure Finance & Innovation Act (TIFIA)  
Railroad Rehabilitation & Improvement Financing Program  
ITD Board to Select Forest Land Project Instead of Feds